

## IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A drawworks for lowering and withdrawing a load, in particular a drilling device, having a flexible traction element (4, 104) which is fastened to the load, having a drum (5, 105), mounted so as to be rotatable about a rotation axis (S), for winding up the traction element (4), and having at least one rotary drive device (19, 119) which comprises at least one rotary drive motor (21, 22, 121, 122) which acts on the drum (5, 105) via a summation gear (20, 120) and with which the drum (5, 105) can be rotationally driven optionally in the lowering or withdrawing direction of the traction element (4, 104), ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the summation gear (20, 120) is designed as a multi-speed gear.

2. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the rotary drive device (19, 119) comprises at least two rotary drive motors (21, 22; 121, 122).

3. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the rotary drive device (19), relative to the rotation axis (S) of the drum (5), is arranged next to the

drum (5) in such a way that the drum (5) and the rotary drive device (19), in a projection perpendicular to the rotation axis (S) of the drum (5), at least partly overlap.

4. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the drive shafts of the rotary drive motors (21, 22) are arranged so as to lie on a common straight line.

5. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the at least two rotary drive motors (121, 122) are arranged next to one another in extension of the rotation axis (S) of the drum (105).

6. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5,~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the drum (5, 105) is connected in a rotationally fixed manner to a rotatably mounted drum shaft (6).

7. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in claim 6, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the drum shaft (5, 105) is connected to the output side (16, 116) of the summation gear (20, 120), the input side (29, 129) of which is coupled to the output shafts (27, 28; 127, 128) of the rotary drive motors (21, 22; 121, 122).

8. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in ~~one of~~  
~~claims 1 to 7, characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the summation  
gear (20, 120) is a mechanically acting two-speed gearbox.

9. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in ~~one of~~  
~~claims 6 to 8, characterized in that~~ claim 6, wherein the drum shaft  
(6) is coupled at one end to a mechanically acting brake device and  
at the other end to an electromagnetically acting brake device.

10. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in claim 9,  
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the mechanically acting brake device is  
a disk brake arrangement (13) or a disk or multiple-disk brake, and  
the electrically acting brake device is an eddy-current brake.

11. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in ~~one of~~  
~~claims 1 to 10, characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the at least  
one rotary drive motor (21, 22; 121, 122) is a direct-current  
electric motor.

12. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in ~~one of~~  
~~claims 1 to 10, characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the at least  
one rotary drive motor (21, 22; 121, 122) is an alternating-current  
electric motor.

13. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in ~~one of~~  
~~claims 1 to 9, characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the at least  
one rotary drive motor (21, 22; 121, 122) is a hydraulic motor.

14. (Currently Amended) The drawworks as claimed in ~~one of~~  
~~claims 1 to 13, characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the summation  
gear (20, 120) is equipped with a safety device which, if a maximum  
admissible torque at the input shaft is exceeded, switches over the  
gearbox automatically into the gear of the highest ratio of the speed  
of the input shaft to the speed of the output shaft.